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SUBJ: PREPARATIONS FOR FEB-MARCH 1977 SESSION OF ILO
GOVERNING BODY

REF: STATE 028274

1. DURING CALL ON FONOFF UNDERSECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES JOAQUIN FONSECA MORNING FEB 9, POL COUNSELOR MADE PRESENTATION OF SUBSTANCE REFTEL. FONSECA'S DEPUTY, ALVARO BONILLA, WAS ALSO PRESENT. INITIAL REACTION OF BOTH TO ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUE WAS SOMEWHAT NEGATIVE. BONILLA TOOK LEAD IN ARGUING THAT ISRAELIS ARE, IN FACT, GUILTY OF DISCRIMINATION AND VIOLATIONS OF TRADE UNION RIGHTS.

2. POL COUNSELOR REPLIED THAT TRUTH OF ALLEGATIONS HAD NOT BEEN DETERMINED BY THE ILO'S OWN VERY EFFECTIVE INVESTIGATIVE PROCEDURES, COUNTRIES MAKING ALLEGATIONS COULD, IF THEY WISHED, FILE COMPLAINTS THROUGH NORMAL ILO MACHINERY, AND POINTED OUT THAT ISSUE WAS ONE OF DUE PROCESS, NOT SUBSTANCE.

E. FONSECA SAID HE WOULD CONSULT WITHIN FONOFF AND WITH LABOR MINISTER ON ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUE AND ARTICLE 17 AND WOULD INFORM POL COUNSELOR OF OUTCOME. DURING EXCHANGE OF
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REMARKS ON LABOR MINISTER, FONSECA CLEARLY INDICATED HIS DESIRE THAT EMBASSY NOT APPROACH HIM ON THIS MATTER AND THAT FONSECA WOULD CONVEY USG VIEWS TO HIM. WE HAVE TO RESPECT FOREIGN MINISTRY'S WISHES IN THIS REGARD.

4. POL COUNSELOR HANDED ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION OF AIDE MEMOIRE TO FONSECA AT END OF INTERVIEW. SPANISH

VERSION WAS PRESENTED TO HIM MORNING OF FEB 10.

5. CTC PRESIDENT GUSTAVO DIAZ RAGA IS COLOMBIA'S WORKER
DEPUTY MEMBER SINCE THE ASSASSINATION LAST APRIL OF THE
PREVIOUS MEMBER JOSE RAQUEL MERCADO. EMBASSY WILL DISCUSS
MATTER WITH DIAZ AND REPORT RESULTS.
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